

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time — February 14, 2010

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Trusting God's Ways

If you resist God's will, you are doomed. There are things you want. There are situations you wish would go your way. Sometimes you can arrange to make that happen. Sometimes other people suffer for it. Sometimes they benefit because your vision is actually quite good.

But sometimes your way is not God's way. You may not agree with God's way. You may think God is making a mistake. You may think your idea is better and that God should listen to you.

But God has a plan. It is a mysterious plan. It is a plan incomprehensible to humans. And sometimes God's plan is not your plan.

"Cursed is the one who trusts in human beings, who seeks his strength in flesh," God says through the prophet Jeremiah. Trust in anything that is not divine, and you will be a barren bush in the desert, standing in a lava waste, salt, and empty earth.

It will not be pretty.

But if you trust in God, you are blessed. You are like a tree planted beside waters with roots stretching to the stream. Your leaves will stay green. You will bear fruit even in drought.

But it may mean giving up the things you want and accepting what God wants.

Readings For Next Sunday February 20 & 21

1st Reading...Dt 26:4-10
2nd Reading...Rom 10:8-13
Gospel...Lk 4:1-13

ALTAR SERVERS (Week of February 15)

Monday	Noon	Jim Gates, T. Spalding, A. Eisert
Tuesday	Noon	To Be Contacted, N. Spoelker, D. McFarland
Wednesday	Noon	Bud Koshewa, L. Sturgill, M. Wilkinson
	7:00pm	To Be Contacted
Thursday	Noon	Steve Sternberg, S. Tedder, M. Graft
Friday	Noon	Communion Service
Saturday	4:30pm	+N. Spoelker, M. Hamilton, A. Grant
Sunday	10:00am	+A. McCormick, T. Clark, M. Graft

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MASS INTENTIONS (Week of February 15)

Monday	Noon	Mary Louis Lynch
Tuesday	Noon	Irene Moosmann
Wednesday	Noon	St. Raphael Community
	7:00pm	St. Raphael Community
Thursday	Noon	Dec. Mem. of the Vollenhals Family
Friday	Noon	Communion Service
Saturday	4:30pm	St. Raphael Community
Sunday	10:00am	Mary C. Haffermann

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS (February, 2010)

4:30pm....David Worland (cpt), Joe O'Toole, Churck Armes,
Bryan Thiersch, Bud Koshewa, **Need 1**
10:00am... McCormick (cpt) and Raque Families

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (February 20 & 21)

4:30pm...Team C...Kathleen Gumbel, Cpt., Kevin Raque, Bud
Koshewa, Carolyn Marcum, Carolyn Halvarson, Katie Monarch
10:00am...Team A...Charlie Roth, Cpt., Joe & Judi Brashear,
Sharon Roberts, Bob & Susan Meyer, John Werkman

LECTORS

(February 20 & 21)

4:30pm...Tony Nall & Jacklyn Ochsner
10:00am....Stephen Guenther & Connie Judge

GIFT BEARERS (February 20 & 21)

4:30pm...Overstreet Family
10:00am...Peter & Dianna Pepe

Stewardship Reflection

Tithing for February 7.....\$14,951

Hope is a solid foundation for a life of stewardship. Through hope we trust that God will provide for our needs. Through hope we trust that our generosity to others will make a significant difference in this world.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

7th and 8th Graders

Bingo Night: Junior High youth group will be playing bingo on Monday, February 22nd from 6 to 7:30pm. Food and prizes will be available.

High School

Movie Night: Senior High Youth Group will be watching a movie on Sunday, February 28th from 7 to 9pm. We will have pizza and refreshments. We will announce the name of the movie closer to the date on the Parish Website.



Saint Valentine's Day Mission to the Homebound



All youth group members in Junior and Senior High are invited to attend our Saint Valentine's Day Mission to the Homebound. We will meet at the Youth Basement after the 10am Mass then we will take Valentine's Day Cards to the Sick and Homebound. Anyone interested in attending should contact Nick Cummins, Coordinator of Youth Ministry, at the number below for a permission slip.

Please contact Nick Cummins at nkcummins@bellsouth.net or 458-2500 for more info on any of the above mentioned events.

The new **lector schedule** for the period of January 30 through June 6, 2010 is available for pickup in the sacristy desk drawer. Please contact Tony or Carol Nall at 643-2810, 742-7570 or t.nall@insightbb.com if you would like us to email the schedule to you. We also have openings for new lectors for those who would like to give of their time and talent to being a Minister of The Word.

The **St. Raphael Lenten Fish Fry** is upon us!! Volunteer signups can be found on edline/athletics/news. Or you can go to straphaelschool.org/athletics/news. Any and all of your time that you can give is greatly Appreciated!

A Recipe From The Pastor

Hot Cross Buns... These tasty breads with the distinctive cross were traditionally eaten on Good Friday to commemorate Christ's sacrifice, but today they can be found on breakfast tables throughout Lent and Easter.

Here's a simple way to make them: Flavor your favorite sweet yeast bread recipe with spices (such as cinnamon, nutmeg, all-spice and cloves) and add dried currants, cherries or raisins. Mark the tops of the buns with a "cross" to represent the Cross of Christ. The cross can be made before or after baking: before, by cutting slightly into the dough with a sharp knife; after, by using confectioners' sugar frosting to form the cross.

Please patronize the sponsors of our bulletin. Their support makes this bulletin possible. This week's bulletin sponsor is **O'Shea's Irish Pub**.

It's Stewardship Renewal Season! Each year as Stewardship cards are returned, the information you list is used in various ways for our Parish. The Treasure portion helps us to prepare the yearly budget and the Time and Talent lists are distributed to the various organizations to help find volunteers for all the ministries. As you can see, your response is vital to our Parish. Please take a moment to fill it out and return it to the Parish Office. You can either drop it in the collection basket, mail it, or drop it off at the Parish Office or if you are a school family, return it to school with your child. Once again, thank you for your participation in Stewardship!

St. Raphael Men's Club Trivia Night... Saturday, February 20th in the gym. Doors open at 6:00pm and games begin at 7:30pm. Tables of 8 are \$120. Space is LIMITED so get your table now! For reservations call Connie Muller at 456-6894 or Bob Bean at 451-9472

SARAFUN MEMBES... the SARAFUN monthly meeting will be held Sunday, February 14, 2010 in the blue room immediately following the 10am mass. Our guest speaker will be Tom Owen, president of Louisville Metro Council. Come join us for a fun time.

Ash Wednesday Schedule

Mass will be at noon and 7pm on Ash Wednesday.
School Mass will be at 8:15am.

Next Sunday, our parish will take up the annual Collection for **Black and Indian Missions**. Your financial contribution helps to support Catholic communities on reservations, in rural and inner cities. Your donation funds evangelization programs to strengthen the faith, continue the legacy and share the mission with children and adults here in the United States. *For more information, go to www.blackandindianmission.org.* Please be generous!

Beginning the first weekend of Lent, the parish will no longer use the paperback Breaking Bread hymnal currently in the pews. We will instead use weekly worship aids that will include any music not found in the Ritual Song hymnal. Using worship aids is good way of introducing new music to the community, is more cost-effective for supplementing our hardbound hymnal, and will require less paper in the long run (they will also be recycled). The worship aids will be available from Ministers of Hospitality before each mass. Please be sure to pick one up!

Please offer your prayers for our sick family & friends in the St. Raphael Parish community:

Bernadine Allbritten, Mary Lee Anderson, Helen Bethards, Charles Bauer, James Caudill, Richard Chandler, David Charmoli, Victoria Clark, Pat Conner, Robert Coury, Martha Creed, Connor Day, Mary Jeannette Durham, Sara Fante, Daniel Flynn, Frances Gibson, Sue Harris, Marcella Horney, Rosemary Johnson, Mary Kautzman, Damion Kline, George Koestel, Henry Krebs, Andy Latkovski, A.C. Leonhardt, Cleo Leonhardt, Charles Lucas, Marilyn Malone, Andrew McKinley, Tom Meyer, Malinda O'Daniel Ron Parrino, Connie Peters, Dr. Richard Phelps, Angelo Rappa, Tina Ray, Jean Reinstedler, Joesph Sauter, Elfriede Smith, Elmer Smith, Dorothy Thomas, John Tichenor, Anna Maria Verwest, Jane Wagner, Carol Walls, Mary Warken, Lillian Werkman, James Whelan, Marty Wiehebrink, Dorothy Wimsatt,

(In an effort to keep the prayer list up-to-date, please notify the Parish Office of any additions or deletions.)